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## THE COVER

Faye Hayes' painting, entitled "Oak Hill," was completed over about a six-week period. The Beaumont employee's entry in the recent art show won "best of show." A senior engineering assistant, Mrs. Hayes has been painting for only 3½ years.

Additional details about the art show may be found in an article on page six.

Division Vice President  
Gulf States Utilities  
Lake Charles, La.

Dear Sir:

Recently, I observed a large cypress tree in my yard at 1503 Arkansas Street which had become dangerously entangled in the electric wires running from the back property line to my house.

I called Gulf States for help and Emery Fruge called me back. He and Melton Byrd came out and looked at the tree and agreed that they would handle it. Needless to say, I was overjoyed.

They cut down the tree and made a complete site cleanup in a minimum amount of time. There was no delay, no time lost, no marking time. We appreciate your workforce — it is excellent. Thank you very much.

Sincerely,  
Floyd R. Sonnier

James A. Stelly  
Gulf States Utilities  
Orange, Texas

Dear Mr. Stelly:

I have been so negligent in expressing my appreciation to you, and I apologize.

Several weeks ago, when I was "complaining about my utility bill," I called you. As usual, you were most cooperative and you sent a young lady to see me. I believe her name

was Sandy Kaven.

I would like to commend you for having in your service a person like Sandy. She most patiently and competently explained what I wanted to know. She has a wonderful personality and her procedures in explanation were most gratifying and appreciated. Now I know how to read my meter, and have knowledge of several other electrical matters in the usage.

Again, my apologies for being so late in telling you how appreciative I am, and also in your instantaneous service in your effort to satisfy a "gripping customer!"

In sincere appreciation,  
Mrs. J. P. Fuller  
**Editor's Note: Mrs. Kaven is a consumer services representative in the Orange office.**

W. J. Cahill Jr.  
Gulf States Utilities  
St. Francisville, La.

Dear Mr. Cahill:

On behalf of the West Feliciana Parish Hospital Board, medical staff and hospital, I would like to thank you and your staff for helping procure an ambulance for the parish. We are in operation now and I feel more comfortable with this addition.

I know that we will work jointly to benefit by this venture and if we can be of any service to you or your company, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours truly,  
Jerry Marquette  
Administrator  
West Feliciana Parish Hospital

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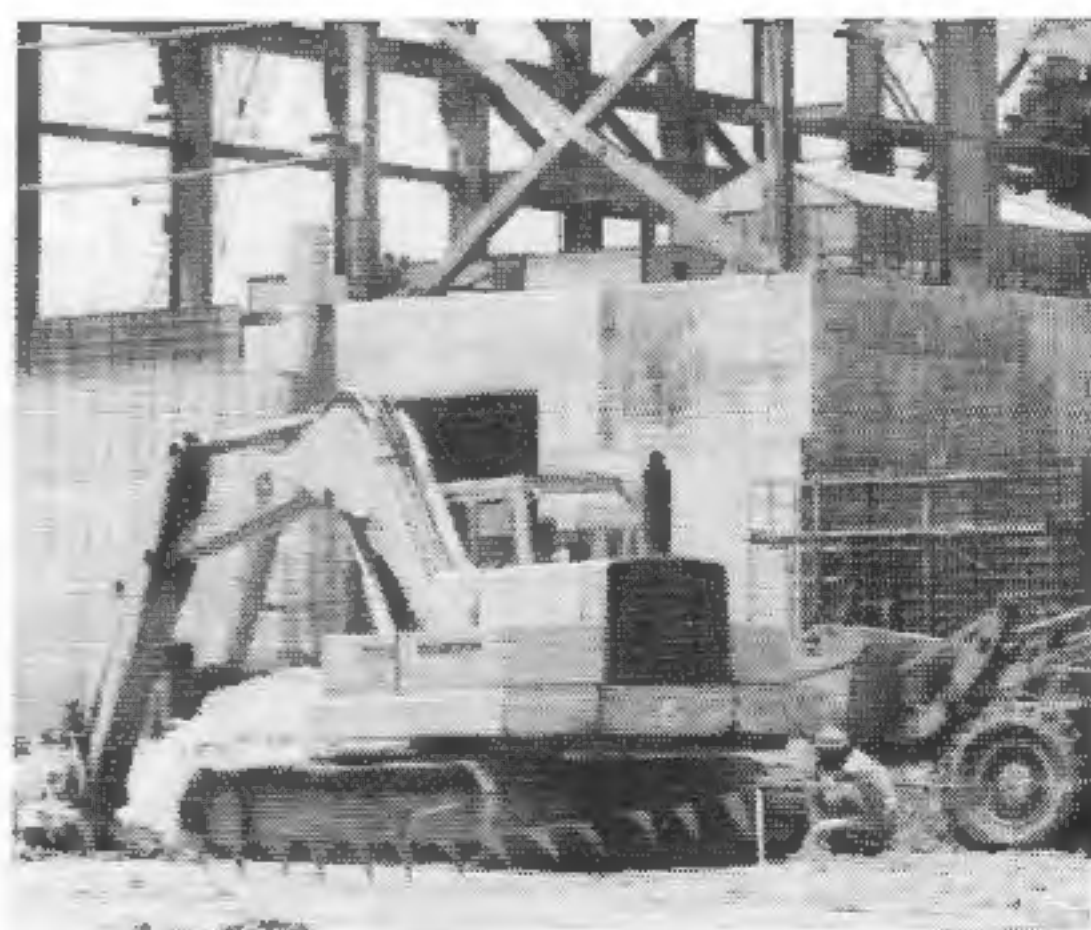
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# NEWS BRIEFS

## GSU contributes education aid

In late August, Gulf States presented each of six universities located within the company's service area with \$1,200 scholarship checks, designated for their electrical engineering departments.

Receiving the checks were Louisiana State University in Baton Rouge, Lamar University in Beaumont, McNeese State University in Lake Charles, Southern University in Baton Rouge, Texas A&M University in College Station and the University of Southwestern Louisiana in Lafayette.



In the accompanying photographs, Dr. Bill Jones (shown at left in upper photo), head of the electrical engineering department at Texas A&M, is shown accepting the check from Western Division Vice President John Conley, while Dr. William Wakeland (far right in lower photo), head of Lamar's electrical



engineering department, accepts a check from GSU's Bill Barksdale, vice president of technical services.

The scholarships, offered this year for the first time, were awarded at the beginning of the fall semester to a senior electrical engineering student at each school with an expressed interest in the electric utility business. McNeese officials decided, however, to award two \$600 scholarships to two students. The recipients were selected by a committee of departmental faculty members.

Barksdale said Gulf States recognizes that college costs are escalating and the scholarship will provide financial assistance to qualified students.

If the scholarship is offered in the 1982-83 scholastic year, the deadline for application will be Feb. 15, 1982, with the winner to be announced in mid-March.

Applicants must be electrical engineering students who have completed a substantial part of the junior program and who anticipate graduating within 18 months. Applicants must hold no other industrial-sponsored scholarship.

The selection committees will conduct personal interviews and will consider academic records, professional society activities, employment experience, leadership qualities and community activities.

Weight will also be given to the residence in, or interest in living in, the Gulf States service area, which stretches from the Conroe-Huntsville area in Texas to east of Baton Rouge.

## Employees attend HL&P program

Employees from Gulf States joined participants from eight other utilities in attending a six-week introductory health physics course for radiation protection technicians that ended in mid-June.

Sponsored by Houston Lighting & Power Company, the pilot program was carried out at the request of the Institute of Nuclear Power Operations (INPO). The program has received national recognition and could possibly lead to HL&P being designated as a regional training center.

In addition to GSU and HL&P, other participants were Baltimore Gas & Electric, Arizona Public Service, Florida Power Corporation, Consolidated Edison of New York, Detroit Edison Company, Vermont Yankee Nuclear Power and Louisiana Power & Light.

According to Ron Gauny, principal health physicist for the Health Physics Division of HL&P's Nuclear Services Department, "INPO asked utilities with training programs to submit copies of their program for review. Ours received top rating along with those of TVA and Duke Power, who have had many years experience in the nuclear field."

The resulting classroom session were videotaped. This served a three-fold purpose, Gauny pointed out. Presentations by instructors could be critiqued, tapes would be available for review by officials from other power plants and the tapes would prove that certain items, especially those relating to federal regulations and guidelines, were presented exactly the same way each time the course is taught.

HL&P has been developing its training program over a three-year period to meet the guidelines of the NRC and the American National Standards Institute. The intensive six-week pilot program was the first in a series of three technician training courses being developed.



**Robert Graves graduated with the class of '64, but his face is still familiar to DSHS students.**

## The Numbers Man

Robert Graves may have graduated with the class of '64 at Denham Springs High School, but he's still a familiar face to DSHS student athletes.

The 10-year Gulf States employee, who now makes his home in nearby Walker, is the official statistician for football games at the high school. Coaches claim Graves gives the job more than is required.

According to the Yellow Jackets' head coach, Harold "Butch" Wax, "He is extremely conscientious and accurate." Besides attending all the games — he estimates that he spends about 3½ hours preparing the stats for each game — Graves also attends most practice sessions.

Although Graves was himself a high school athlete who lettered in baseball three years and lettered in track one year, he says he accepted the job of official statistician in 1975 after being recommended to the job by another Yellow Jacket fan. At that time, the job was unpaid, although Graves now receives a small stipend for his work.

But Graves explains that the principal reason he has continued to perform the service is "because of the coaches." According to the swarthy, mustachioed assistant inventory analyst, "I like dealing with numbers. In fact, it has a lot to do with my job. What makes it so enjoyable is that the coaches allow me to come along on the road trips, the film sessions and the scouting trips."

He takes most pride in the fact that Wax and other members of the coaching staff occasionally "will slip up and call me 'coach'." Nevertheless, Graves, who works in the Materials Planning Depart-



ment in GSU's North Boulevard office in Baton Rouge, says he is careful never to tell the coaches what to do or to try to coach the players.

After graduating from Denham Springs High School in 1964, Graves missed a few years of Jacket football plays while serving in the U.S. Army in Germany. When Graves and his wife Sandra, who now have a 10-year-old daughter, Amy, returned to the area, he helped with score-keeping and umpiring duties for Little League baseball. He has given up his involvement with that sport, but still finds time to referee high school basketball games.

Although Graves concedes that his wife probably is not as enthusiastic over football as he is, he praises her for attending all home games "and putting up with me."

Graves can be spotted on the sidelines at games, as he holds a clipboard of forms for recording the time, the formation, the direction, the yardage gained and other facts of each game. He turns the completed statistics over to the

coaching staff, which uses them "to develop the team," Graves notes.

Graves says that over the years he has made his forms "a little fancier" and has devised more efficient ways of keeping up with the information.

With the beginning of this school year, Graves has found his job just a little bit harder as the District 7AAAA school has joined other Louisiana high school football teams in adopting college rules. Altogether, there were 126 rule changes, although Graves says "there weren't that many for keeping stats."

The local press, the Denham Springs News, recently featured Graves in an article in which Coach Wax praised the school's longtime numbers man.

Until this spring, Graves had spent most of his 10 years with the company assigned to the storeroom at Choctaw, most recently as storeroom foreman. His new assignment keeps him busy troubleshooting storerooms.



# Employees Host Art Show

Faye Hayes' winning depiction of two turkeys — an oil painting entitled "Oak Hill" — came about as a result of her sportsman-husband's interest in the fowl.

"Lamar had been wanting me to do a picture of some turkeys," Mrs. Hayes recalls, "and I decided that with the autumn coming up it would be a good time to do so."

As it turned out, Hayes' suggestion and Mrs. Hayes' artistic talent combined to produce a painting that won both the "Best-of-Show" and the "Most Popular Work" awards in the art show sponsored by GSU employees in Beaumont Sept. 8-10.

Organizing the show, which was open to GSUers and family members, were Colleen Maxwell and Joe Russian, both of whom serve on the Brown Bag Committee, a group which handles lunchtime entertainment events in the main office most Mondays.

The runner-up as the "Most Popular Work" was an entry in photography by Robert Roberson. Both Roberson and Mrs. Hayes are Beaumont employees.

According to Mrs. Maxwell, only one category — that of pottery — received no entries.

Judges for the show were Beaumont artist Lee Meriwether; Jerry Clifton, owner of a photographic studio; and Adelaide Durgan, owner of a Beaumont crafts shop.

The winners in each category included:

— Oil/Acrylic, Original, Hayes, 1st; Brenda Moline, sister of Beaumont employee Thom Ardoin, 2nd; Tim Wisener of Beaumont, 3rd; and Susan Maines of Beaumont, honorable mention.

— Oil/Acrylic, Copy, Hayes, 1st; Clata McCarver of New Caney, 2nd; Wisener, 3rd; and Hayes, honorable mention.

— Photography, Karen Horn of Beaumont, 1st; Robert Roberson of Beaumont, 2nd; Bobby Thompson of Beaumont, 3rd; and Ken Haynie of Beaumont, two honorable mentions.

— Watercolor, Wisener, 1st; Roberta Plant of Conroe, 2nd; Doug Blevins of Orange, 3rd; and Linda Summers of Beaumont, honorable mention.

— Ceramics, Mary Lanclos, sister of Beaumont employee Charlotte Day, 1st; Becky Rabb, daughter of Beaumont employee Charles Lopez, 2nd; Dayna Allen of Beaumont, 3rd; and Dorothy Martin, wife of Beaumont employee Charles Martin, honorable mention.

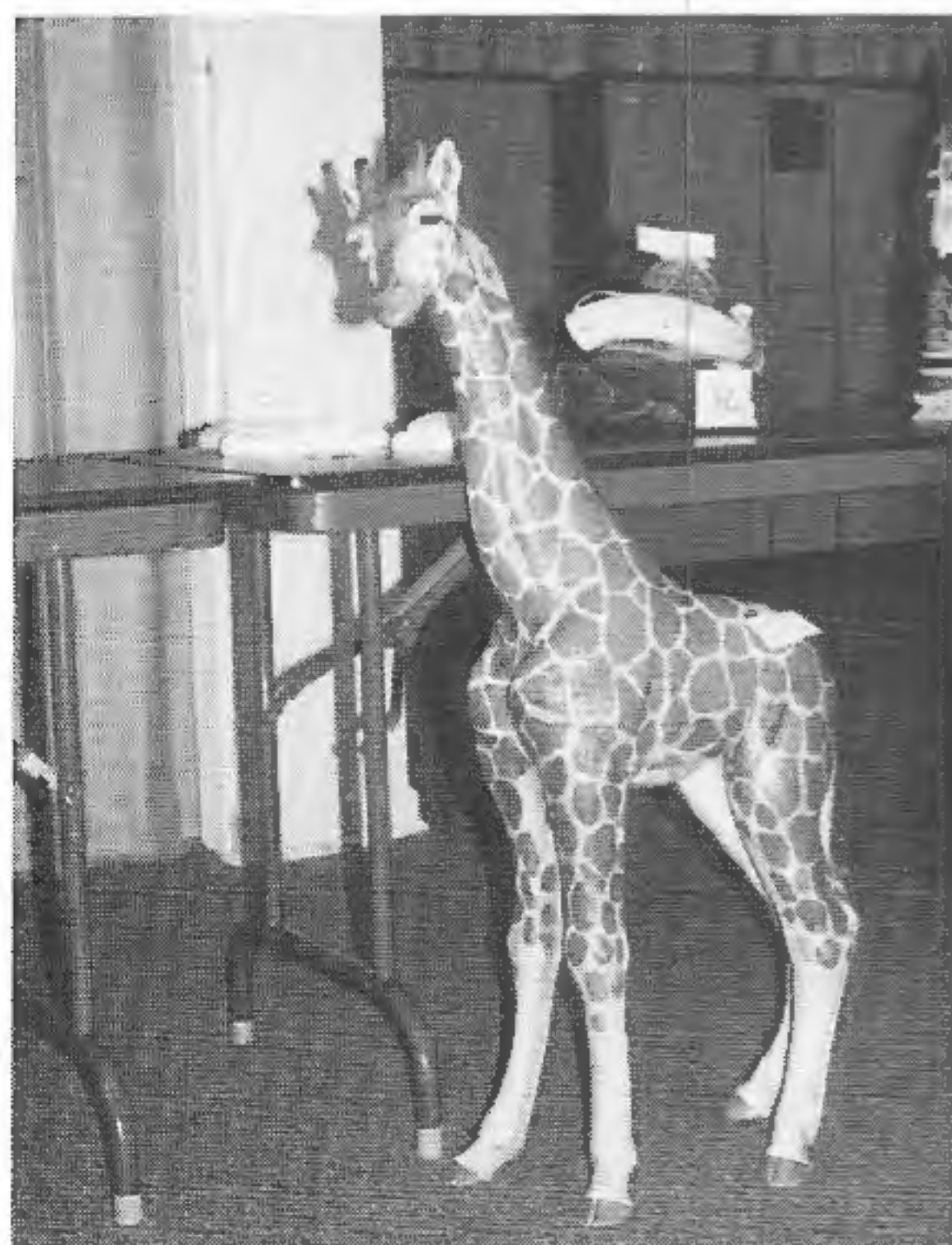
— Sculpture, Haynie, 1st; Henry Joyner of Beaumont, 2nd; Blevins, 3rd; and Linka Peveto Karen McConnell and Joyner, all honorable mention.

— Tole Painting, Dorothy Martin, 1st; Lanclos, 2nd; Kay Kirkland, 3rd; and Hayes, honorable mention.

— Pen and Ink, Thom Ardoin of Beaumont, 1st; Blevins, 2nd and 3rd; and Ardoin and Omnei Gemeh, both honorable mention.

Stained Glass, McConnell, 1st and 2nd; Ray Laminack III, son of Beaumont employee Ray Laminack Jr., 3rd and honorable mention.

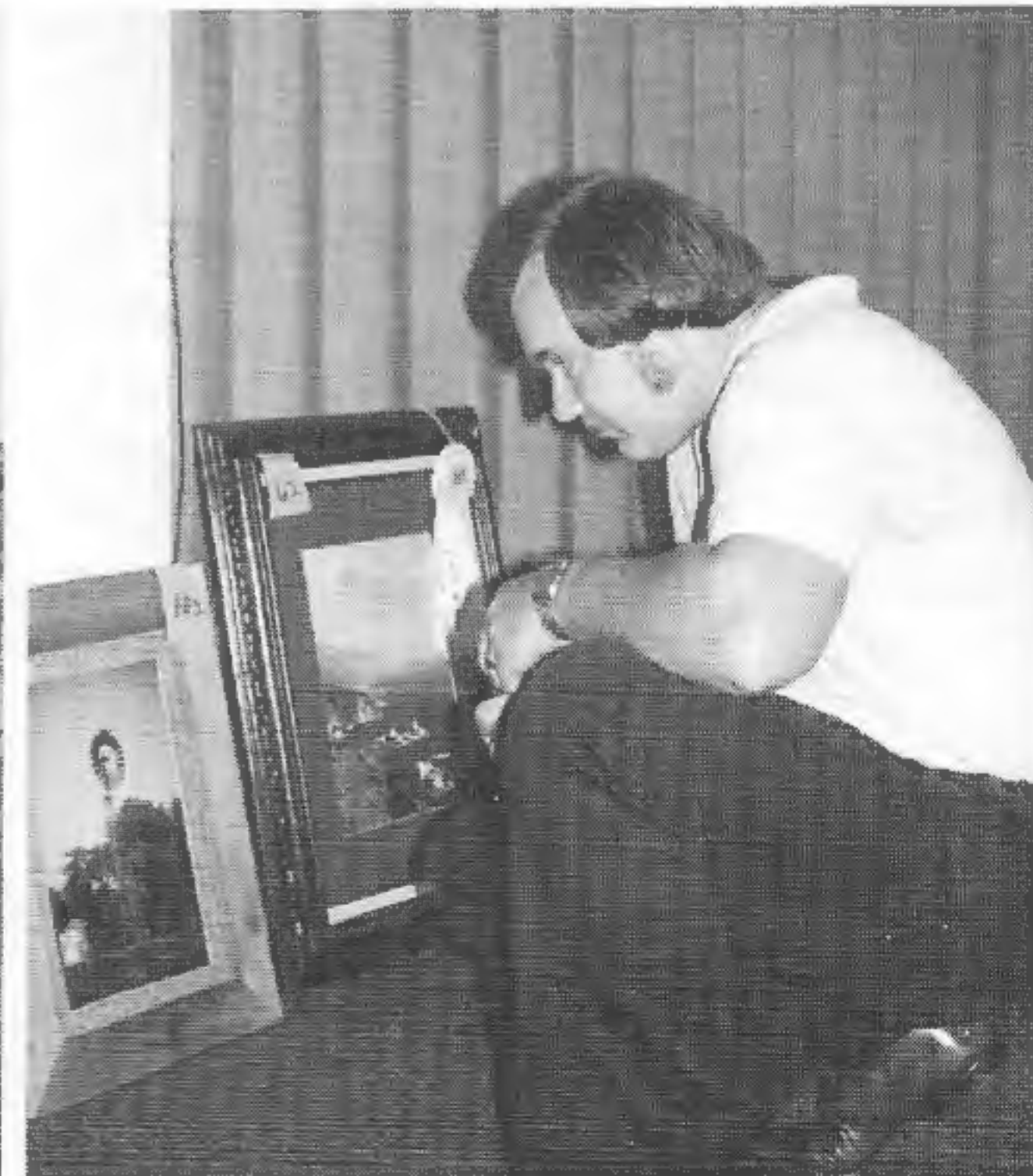
— Handicrafts, Gene Tillery of Beaumont, 1st; McConnell, 2nd; Gerry Lopez, wife of Beaumont employee Charles Lopez, 3rd; and Bobbie Kennon of Beaumont, honorable mention.



*This giraffe presided over the ceramics section. It was submitted by Mrs. Charles Martin, the wife of a Beaumont employee.*



*Faye Hayes displays "Oak Hill" and the ribbons it garnered.*



*Joe Simpson of Engineering was engrossed in one of the entries.*



# Couple Operates Art Dealership

by Susan Gilley

Gary Kilgore has an eye for art, a head for figures and a hand for craftsmanship, so last June the three-year GSU employee channeled the three talents into a part-time business.

This past summer, Kilgore and his wife Mary Lee opened "Lee's Gallery" in a Beaumont flea market. The business handles limited edition collector prints and offers framing services.

Kilgore, a cost analyst in Project Services, said the fledgling business evolved from the couple's mutual appreciation for good art.

"We started out collecting Windbergs," Kilgore recalled. (Windberg is considered one of the foremost landscape artists.) As their collection grew, so did their interest in tackling collecting from a business angle.

Kilgore said he learned early that art collectors have to be alert for possible fraud. A print can be devalued because of a simple error, too, he added. For example, he explained, "If you have a collector print, it should be museum mounted, if it is framed. That means that it should not be pasted or glued, and it's usually mounted with acid-free or 100 percent rag paper."

The purest print collector, according to Kilgore, is one who stores the valuable pieces out of sight, away from damaging sunlight.

In addition to opening shop in an attractive niche of Larry's Flea Market, a warehouse-style building housing shopkeepers and craftsmen, the couple also helped set up a one-man art show in Parkdale Mall this August. Sponsored by Joske's department



*Kilgore and his wife examine one of the prints on display in their shop.*

store, the show featured 18 oils by native Texan Larry Dyke. The collection was valued at a half-million dollars. Dyke's prints are produced by the Houston-based American Masters Foundation, and the Kilgores buy from that publishing house, as well as about five others.

Among Dyke's admirers are President Ronald Reagan, who owns five of Dyke's most recent limited editions. Along with his signature, the artist identifies each painting with a passage of scripture.

The Kilgores stand behind the prints they sell by promising to purchase back at the same price any print a customer does not want.

Kilgore said limited edition collector prints are generally signed and numbered by the artist, although one-half may be

signed and numbered and the remainder may be signed only. Customers also receive certification that a purchase is a limited edition print. According to Kilgore, anywhere from five to 13 lithograph plates may be used to produce a single print, then the plates are destroyed.

Although Kilgore admits the amount of the investment depends on the popularity of an artist, he added that most investments in limited edition collector prints grow more valuable.

Mrs. Kilgore spends her weekdays working with the Mobil Oil Federal Credit Union, so the weekend hours at Larry's Flea Market are ideal for the family, which also includes their 10-year-old daughter Deana.

The shop is open from 10 a.m. until 6 p.m. on Saturdays and from 1-6 p.m. on Sundays.



# Dateline/Oak Ridge Plaza...



*Sammy Hill checks a customer's meter.*



*Susan Choate reports to work at the Oak Ridge Plaza office.*

When Jerry Mercer made the move from the Port Arthur Division to the company's newest local office — Oak Ridge Plaza in the Western Division — he found that there were “many differences” between the two locales.

One of two servicemen-1st class assigned to the company's only office located in a shopping center, Mercer explains that the area “is growing a lot faster.” Many who commute to Houston live in the area, which includes the planned community, The Woodlands.

Despite the rapid growth, Mercer says the area still provides plenty of opportunities to indulge in his favorite pastimes — hunting and fishing. He and his wife, Kathy, have two children, 8-year-old Angie and 4-year-old Melanie. He has been with the company 8½ years.

The remaining three permanent office employees transferred from nearby offices to Oak Ridge,

which opened this spring. Since that time, they have seen the area grow from about 8,000 customers to about 11,000.

“It's a challenge to work here, I'll tell you,” exclaims Susan Choate, one of the two customer accounting clerks. “We just hooked up two new apartment complexes with 200 meters apiece. There are houses being built everywhere!”

A five-year Gulf States employee, Ms. Choate began her career as a meter reader in New Caney. She was later based in Cleveland, then in Conroe, before transferring to Oak Ridge. She and her daughter, 8-year-old Michelle, live in Shepard, about 45 miles from the office. Both enjoy horseback riding.

Sammy Hill, the other serviceman, explains that he and Mercer spend their time “installing services. We split up the sides of the road (Interstate 45). I have 75 percent of the territory but

Mercer has more customers,” Hill continues. (Mercer's territory includes the highly populated Woodlands development.)

Hill makes his home in nearby Spring, Texas. He finds the area an ideal place to make a home for his wife, Esther, and their two children, Sammy, 9, and Elridge, 3. Hill's spare time is spent honing his skill with bow and arrow, as well as playing golf and hunting.

Ellen Derr completes the Oak Ridge foursome. She maintains that a local office is probably “more hectic, just not as relaxed” as the Western Division office. Nevertheless, Mrs. Derr insists, Oak Ridge Plaza “is running smoothly.”

She and her husband, Richard, make their home in Shenandoah with their 17-year-old son, Rick. The couple is building a summer home on Lake Livingston. Mrs. Derr has been with Gulf States for 1½ years.



**H**ow does a lady lawyer, married to an oil and gas attorney and the mother of a 3-year-old daughter, juggle her life to both keep the home fires burning and retain her own professional identity?

If you're Gulf States' Laurel Clauer, house counsel and legislative adviser in Baton Rouge, you "luck" into a part-time job with a corporation.

senting different types of traditional law practices spoke. So it was decided the 1981 convention would feature those who had found another way of putting their law degrees to work.

In searching for lawyers to participate in the seminar this year, Ms. Spedman found a pair of young attorneys who share one job in an office practice, each

# Part-time Attorney

by Sharon Englade

The 1974 Louisiana State University law school graduate is one of a growing number of young attorneys throughout the nation who are finding alternatives to the traditional office practice of law.

Because of her unusual status as a 20-hour-a-week corporation lawyer who spends many of her working hours at the state capitol when the Legislature is in session, Laurel was one of half a dozen attorneys who participated in a seminar at the American Bar Association's annual meeting in New Orleans this August.

"Law Practice Today — Unusual and Unorthodox" was put together by Susan Spedman, attorney for a Dallas insurance company and chairman of the career planning and placement committee of the Young Lawyers Section of the ABA.

Ms. Spedman said she and others attending the annual bar meeting three years ago observed that a large number of young attorneys "wanted out of the traditional practice of law."

She theorized many had become disenchanted after discovering the realities of a law practice were not what they had anticipated, nor were the emotional rewards as gratifying as expected.

Her committee conducted a survey and, of the 1,000-plus who responded, 46 percent of those age 36 and under were dissatisfied with their roles. At last year's annual meeting, speakers repre-

working half days. Another licensed attorney never sees clients but, instead, serves as his firm's librarian.

Then there is the law firm in San Francisco that requires each member of the 15-person staff to take a one-month sabbatical every two years just to clear out the legal cobwebs. A "roving" lawyer fills in for the one on leave.

Ms. Spedman said the senior bar is very interested in this project, recognizing "we uncovered a problem that's caused a great deal of concern."

"The first ones who tried unorthodox law were women," she said, "but men are just beginning to see they don't have to put up with the stresses of traditional law."

Laurel and her husband George had decided it would be unfair to their daughter Elizabeth for both parents to be putting in long hours and weekends "at the office." At least, not at this point in time, said the native New Orleanian.

She had put in her share of full-time work after passing the bar, first as staff attorney for the Louisiana Legislative Council and then, in 1976, as research assistant to the coordinator of legal research for the Louisiana State Law Institute. After her daughter was born, Laurel worked part-time for other Baton Rouge attorneys and did research



for her husband's law firm.

But, said Laurel, she realized more structured working hours, although less than a full work week, would be better for her and her family — and the Gulf States job fit the bill perfectly.

"I got the job by luck," admitted the young attorney who began working for the company in May.

"I got up that morning and had a feeling I should go to the LSU law school placement office," she recalled. People from GSU's legal department happened to be in the building that morning interviewing and the placement officer suggested she meet with them.

She did, and Gulf States hired her.

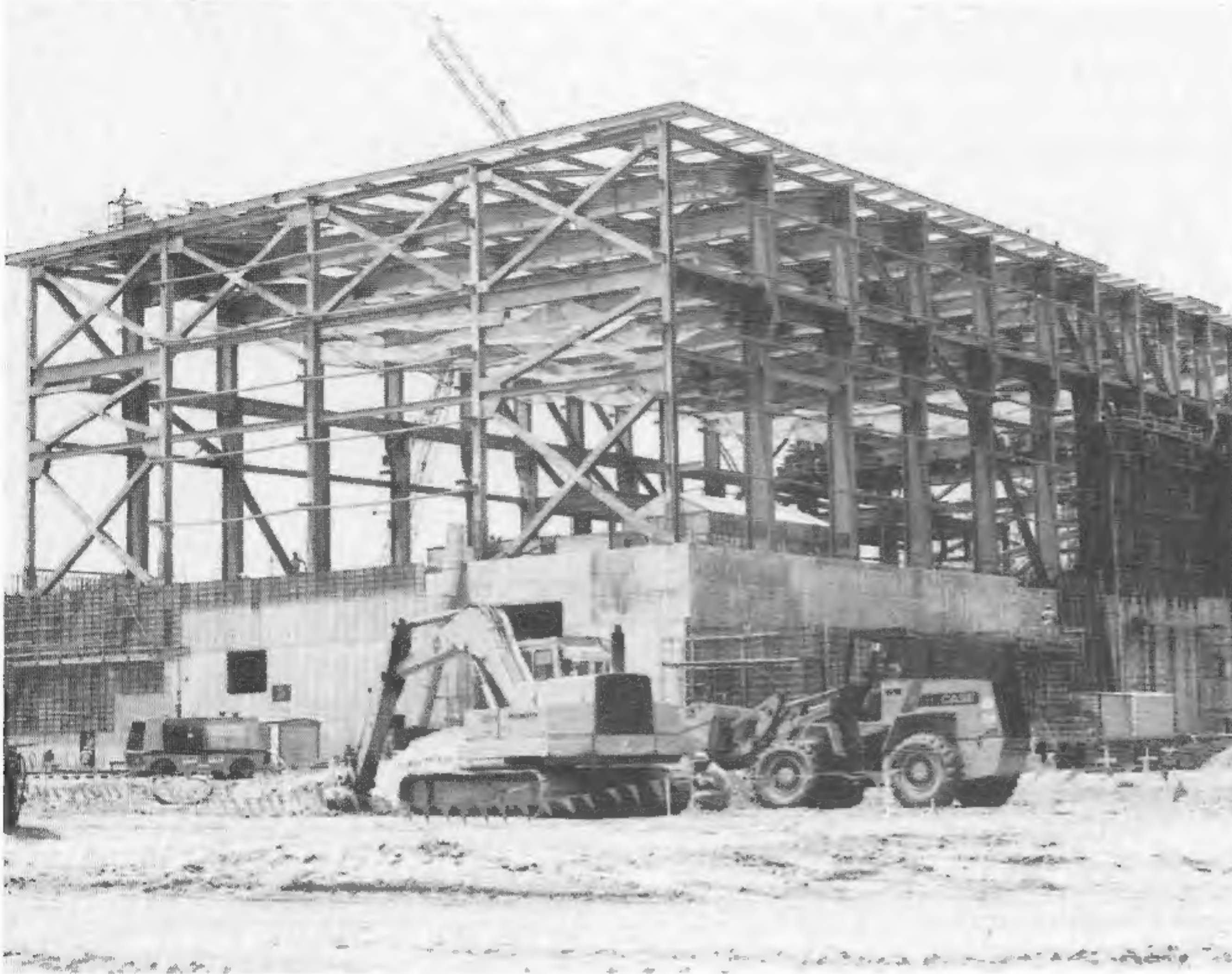
"I enjoy the work here. GSU is a wonderful place to work. The people made me feel right at home," she said.

Laurel explained her job involves research into all aspects of the law, from corporation to criminal law. Although Gulf States has a law firm on retainer in Baton Rouge, it is Laurel, the in-house lawyer, who gets the telephone calls from Louisiana Gulf Staters asking, "Can I . . .?" "Is it legal to . . .?"



# Construction Continues at

*The structural steel erection is part of the turbine building at River Bend.*



Construction continues at the company's two biggest projects, both of which are in Louisiana — River Bend Station, GSU's first nuclear unit, and Nelson Station Coal Plant, the company's first venture into coal generation.

Located near Westlake across the bridge from Lake Charles, Nelson 6 was begun in 1976. The first major hurdle was cleared in March 1981 when the system was successfully energized. To energize the system, electricity from an external power source was connected to the new plant to make certain "fundamental systems," such as the switchgear connections and the motor control cabinets, were working.

The next significant event for GSU's first coal-fired plant will be the "turbine roll," scheduled for February. The operation will test the ability of the boiler to produce steam to turn the turbine.

Nelson 6 is expected to begin

*This view of Nelson 6 construction shows the 500-foot-tall chimney (at left) designed to house two independent brick flues — one for Nelson 6 and another for Nelson 5, a second 540 megawatt coal unit tentatively scheduled to go into operation by April, 1987.*





# River Bend, Nelson Coal

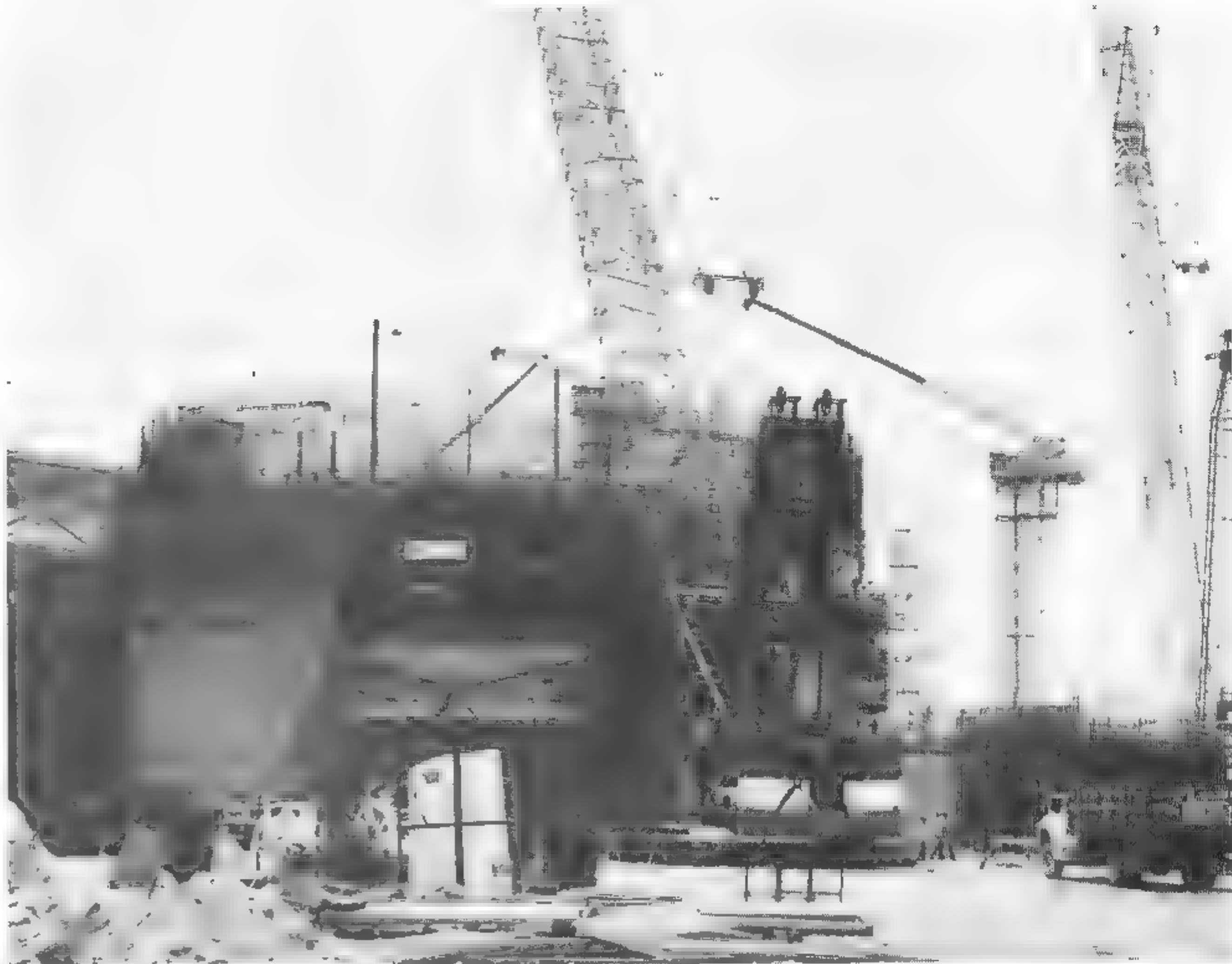
producing electricity in 1982, with fire-power for the boiler coming from low-sulfur western coal, which was to begin arriving at the plant site in October.

In the eastern portion of Louisiana, the 940-megawatt nuclear unit now being built near St. Francisville is about 40 percent complete. The scheduled in-service date for the unit is 1984.

In early September, the Nuclear Regulatory Commission accepted the operating license application for the River Bend nuclear project, signifying another milestone for that unit.

Darrell G. Eisenhut, director of the NRC's Division of Licensing in the Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation, told Gulf States that its 20-volume, 9,000-page application package was "sufficiently complete for docketing your application and for initiation of our safety review."

*This view of the nuclear reactor building is from the north.*



*This conveyor will transport coal to either the active storage structure (at far left) or to the inactive area (in the background.)*





# SERVICE AWARDS

**40**  
years



**Philip J. Marquette**  
Consumer Services  
Port Allen

**30**  
years



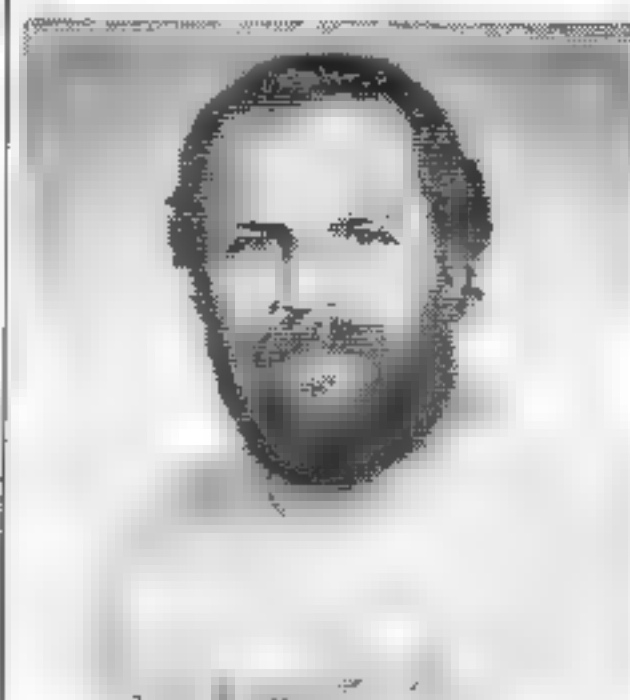
**C. J. Gonzales Jr.**  
System Engineering  
Beaumont

**20**  
years



**Willis E. Coon**  
Human Resources  
Beaumont

**10**  
years



**John W. Brister Jr.**  
Electric T&D  
Baton Rouge



**Robert M. Sigsbee**  
Consumer Services  
Conroe



**Johnnie R. Corley**  
Plant Production  
Louisiana Station



**James M. Curtis**  
Gas Department  
Baton Rouge



**Molly H. Field**  
Human Resources  
Beaumont



# RETIREE UPDATE

## Thirty attend LC meeting

More than 30 members of the Lake Charles Division Sideliners Club attended the group's August 27 outing in Jennings, reported *Plain Talks* correspondent Libby Simonson. Among those attending the session were Ted and Marlene Meinscher. Meinscher is the new division vice president.

The meeting date coincided with a birthday and wedding anniversary. Tommy and Mildred Brooks were observing their 43rd wedding anniversary, while Mercy Norwood was celebrating her birthday.

New members included the E. M. Guidrys of Lafayette.

## Richardson given retirement party

Gail W. Richardson was honored with a pre-retirement party on July 24, shortly before he left for a five-week vacation.

The Nelson Station employee was also honored with a barbecue and dance at the PPG Family Association building upon his return from his vacation. Entertainment for the second event was provided by Lawrence Ardoin of Nelson Station and the Ardoin Brothers. Richardson received a router as a farewell gift.

Richardson and his wife Pat now make their home in Baton Rouge, where he fills his days with carpentry projects and fishing expeditions.



Gail and Pat Richardson

## Retirees given for September

Employees who joined the ranks of retirees on September 1 included Artie T. Bond, a clerk from Neches Station; Frank J. Robinson, superintendent of division operations in Huntsville; Wilson L. P. Cazes, section head of Electric T&D in Baton Rouge; Clifford Meaux, district serviceman in Winnie; and Quincy R. Hollis Jr., administrative assistant in Material Planning in Beaumont.

## October retirements planned by three

Those planning to retire October 1 include Andrew J. Blanchard, materials coordinator in Baton Rouge; Daniel V. Garon, supervisor-contract crews at Willow Glen; and Ralph E. Massey, mechanic-1st class at the Beaumont service center.

## Oldest club holds meeting

About 32 members of the Lake Charles Division Sideliners, the oldest chapter of the club, met in Lake Charles June 26 to hear GSUer Bill Heaner discuss the importance of making out a will.

Walter House, current chapter president, was the driving force in organizing the club more than 10 years ago, according to *Plain Talks* Correspondent Libby Simonson.

The club's name was suggested by retiree Henry LeVois, Mrs. Simonson noted.

The club plans to submit a questionnaire to each club member that will help provide a profile of club members.

Mrs. Simonson also reported that a recent column by United Press International's White House reporter, Helen Thomas, recently noted, "An attractive mother and daughter team is making good at

the White House. Alice House Taussig works in the Press Office of Vice President George Bush. Her daughter, Florence Taussig, a Duke University graduate, works in President Reagan's Press Office. Mrs. Taussig lives at the Watergate Apartments, and her daughter Florence lives in Georgetown, but they see each other on occasion at the White House."

Alice Taussig is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Walter House, while Florence is their granddaughter, Mrs. Simonson pointed out.

## Edwards retires from plant

Mike J. Edwards, a 36-year GSU veteran based at Louisiana Station, retired June 1.

Edwards began work as an auxiliary operator on Sept. 1, 1945. In 1951, he progressed to head fireman. In 1976, he transferred to the Test Department at Louisiana Station as a technician-1st class, the position he held upon retirement.

Among Edwards' hobbies are barbecuing and ham radio operation.

## August, September deaths listed

It has been reported that the following retirees died on the following dates:

- Barna H. Gager of Beaumont, August 7.
- James O. Castilaw of Vidor, August 11.
- Robert Fields of Baton Rouge, August 23.
- Bernard Wiltz of Lafayette, August 26.
- Ruth M. Wilbanks of Ingram, Texas, September 6.





## Simon coaches winning team

Jim Simon, GSU's area development representative in Lafayette, coached a winning team this year — the Southeast Lafayette All Stars.

The 9- and 10-year-old team members won the titles of Area Champion, District Champion, Regional Champion and runner-up in the Mustang League for the state of Louisiana.

Simon is shown at the far right on the back row.



## GSU "family" grows in Beaumont

Late this summer, at least eight young women in Beaumont's Customer Accounting Department were expecting a child, reports Charles Bordeman, division accounting superintendent.

Of that number, Mary Simms gave birth to seven-pound Sonya Annette on August 18. In early September, the remainder were still awaiting their due dates.

Mrs. Simms and five other mothers-to-be are pictured during a July 24 office dinner given in their honor. They are (from left) Mrs. Simms, Marsha Cozad, Sheryl Brown, Cindy Vick and Linda Perello. Not shown are Rebecca Reviea and Pam Wells.

## Blind Factory places second

The Blind Factory, a team made up entirely of GSU employees, placed second in summer league softball in Beaumont.

Led by Coach Steve Waters, the team earned a 12-3 record. According to Waters, notable players included pitcher John Price and Benny Wilkinson, Gary Sobczak, Scott Forbes and James Perry.



## Office opens in Zachary

Gulf States' Northern District of the Baton Rouge Division held a ribbon-cutting ceremony July 8 to celebrate the opening of its new service center in Zachary.

The center serves about 10,500 customers in a service area covering the cities of Zachary, Baker, Clinton, Jackson, Wilson, Norwood and St. Francisville. W. B. McMorris, district superintendent, and James Moss, division vice president, welcomed the public, city officials and parish officials to the grand opening.

Mayors John Womack of Zachary, Roosevelt Underwood of Wilson, Mary Wenger of St. Francisville and Mike Cross of Baker cut the ribbon during the brief ceremony outside. Afterwards, about 100 people were served refreshments inside the new center. Shown left to right are McMorris, the Rev. Wayne Barnes, Moss, Womack, Cross, Wenger and Underwood.



## Sabine employee dies in Kentucky

Clifton J. McGee, a 35-year employee of Gulf States, was found shot to death in the backwoods of western Kentucky in August.

McGee, who was an equipment operator at Sabine Station, was returning home from a vacation trip to a National Rifle Association championship shooting match at an Army base near Cincinnati, Ohio.

According to family members, McGee enjoyed taking off-the-main-track routes when he traveled. McGee was believed to have been the victim of a gunman who had reportedly shot at others in that part of Kentucky. The case was under investigation by Kentucky state troopers.

McGee was 56.



## Couple honored with shower

Michael and Vicki Laborde were honored with a surprise baby shower by Michael's co-workers in the system Operations Department in Beaumont.

The couple is expecting their baby in late September.



## Nelson employees play racquetball

Four Nelson Station employees are among the many Gulf Staters who are enthusiasts of racquetball, reports *Plain Talks* correspondent Connie Herford.

Gary T. Fontenot, Eddie Oliver, Mark Smith and Julia Cowles belong to the Acadian Courts Racquetball Club in Lake Charles. Fontenot recently represented the club at a tournament at the Lafayette Cajun Court Club in the Class A division. (Players are grouped in different divisions according to skill. A player begins in class D, then advances to C, B, A, Open and Pro.)

By winning the A division championship at the meet, Fontenot was reclassified into the Open division.

Fontenot is an engineering assistant in the planning department at Nelson.



## Summer employee begins college

Rhonda Benedetto, former Baton Rouge summer employee, was honored with a going-away party on her last day of work.

Rhonda, who worked as a clerk in Customer Accounting, is the oldest daughter of Bill Benedetto of Public Affairs. She is attending Louisiana State University this fall.

Shown with Rhonda (center) are, from left to right, Opal Temple, Jeanne Galster, Michelle Boles and Yvonne Zerangue.



## Brett Morris wins contest title

Brett L. Morris was named "king" of the two-year-old category in a Junior Jamboree baby contest sponsored by the Beaumont Jaycees on June 27.

More than 340 youngsters participated in the contest, in which winners for the different categories were selected on the basis of health, beauty and the number of votes (represented by the number of tickets sold by each contestant).

Brett received a score of 100 percent in the health judging and a 98 percent score in the beauty judging.

The child is the son of Tim L. Morris, who has been a corporate research analyst in the Corporate Services Department since May, 1979.

## Youths place in contest

Two youngsters related to Gulf States employees in the Lake Charles Division both placed in a state Bible quiz for Pentecostal youth.

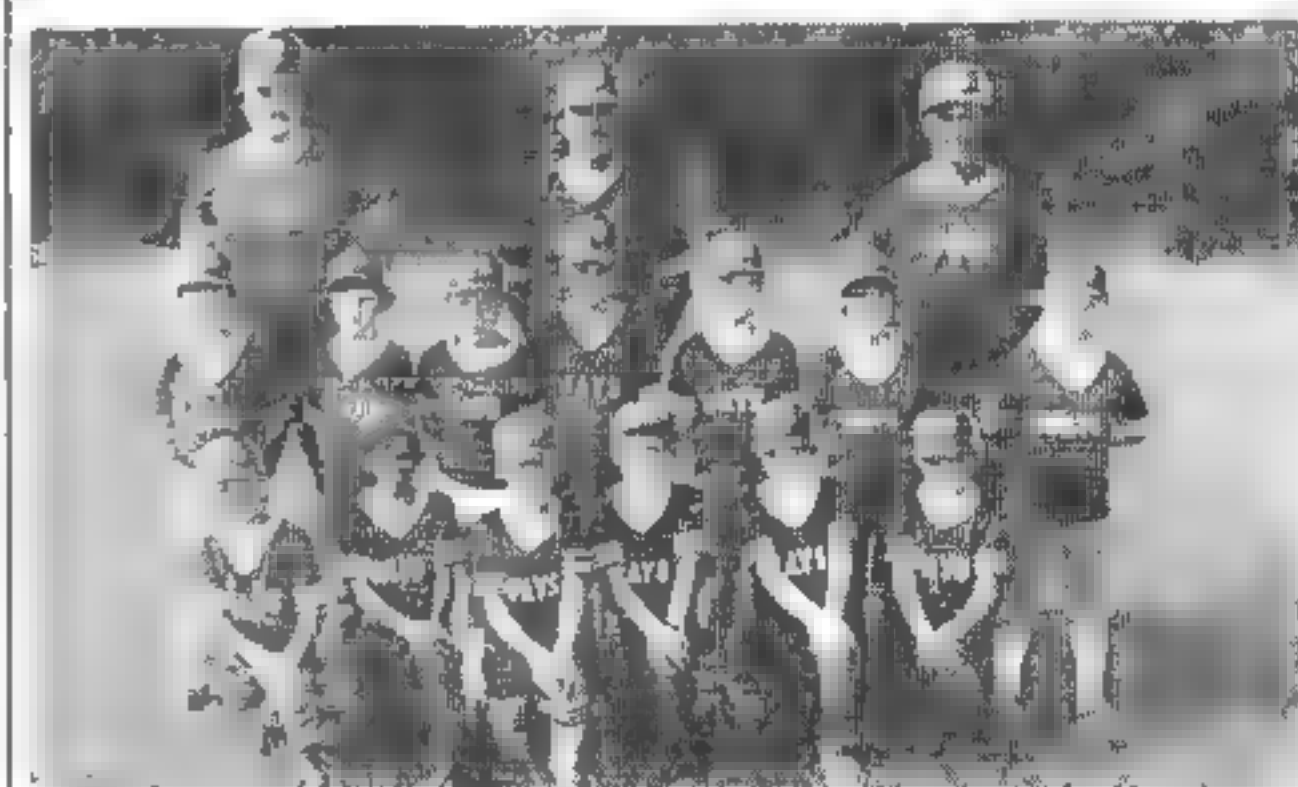
Brian Thompson, 13-year-old son of Kermit Thompson, won third place in the contest. His father is an engineering assistant. Mike Bushnell, the nephew of Van Bushnell, was the first-place winner. His uncle is a foreman at Nelson Station.

Both boys were to represent Louisiana in a contest in Oklahoma City this month.

## Baseball season busy for Andrades

Mary Ellen Andrade, departmental clerk in Lafayette, stayed busy this summer following the baseball careers of her two children.

Tracy Andrade, 11, played with a Scott team sponsored by First National Bank of Lafayette. The team won second place in the league. Tracy is shown in the upper picture, the first little girl kneeling at the far left.



Meanwhile, 7-year-old Blane played for a tee-ball team sponsored by S&S Fire and Safety Equipment. The team placed third in its league. Blane is the first little boy kneeling on the left in the lower picture.



# ON THE MOVE

**Adams, Howard A.**, Willow Glen Station, to electrical maintenance foreman, Plant Production.

**Aiena, Leon Jr.**, Beaumont, to meterman-2nd class, Elec. T&D.

**Alford, Linda H.**, Beaumont, to section head, Accounting Services.

**Alford, Nobie T.**, formerly of Beaumont, to superintendent Daisetta Division Operations.

**Antoine, Freddie Jr.**, Beaumont, to lineman 3rd class, Elec. T&D.

**Arceneaux, William F., Jr.**, Lake Charles, to relayman-3rd class, Elec. T&D.

**Attwood, John D.**, Beaumont, to supervisor-materials planning, Materials Management.

**Babino, Lillie J.**, Beaumont, to coordinator-recruiting, Human Resources.

**Bailey, Gerald**, formerly of Beaumont, to service foreman, Port Arthur T&D Service.

**Ballard, David B.**, Willow Glen, to test technician-3rd class, Plant Production.

**Barton, Edward R.**, Dayton, to utility foreman, T&D Line.

**Becker, David K.**, Beaumont, to lineman-4th class, Elec. T&D.

**Bergeron, Beverly J.**, formerly of Louisiana Station, to control operations foreman, Plant Production, Willow Glen Station.

**Bienvenu, Morris J.**, Lafayette, to lineman-4th class, Elec. T&D.

**Booker, Alvin Jr.**, Conroe, to stores truckdriver, Elec. T&D.

**Bordelon, Joseph C.**, Baton Rouge, to utility foreman, T&D Line.

**Bordelon, Ronald J.**, Baton Rouge, to service foreman, Gas Department.

**Bordelon, William J.**, Willow Glen, to mechanic helper, Plant Production.

**Boullion, Dallas J.**, Dayton, to assistant general line foreman, T&D Line.

**Boyd, Dana T.**, Willow Glen, to equipment operator, Plant Production.

**Bradley, Carl R.**, Nelson Coal, to master electrician, Plant Production.

**Bradley, Victor H.**, Neches Station, to operation supervisor, Plant Production.

**Breaux, Robert L.**, Sabine Station, to planning coordinator, Plant Production.

**Brent, Ray A.**, Baton Rouge, to utility foreman, T&D Line.

**Briggs, Milton B. Jr.**, Port Arthur, to electrician-3rd class, Plant Production.

**Briscoe, Kerney J.**, Nelson Station, to mechanical maintenance foreman, Plant Production.

**Broussard, Cleveland L.**, Beaumont, to utility foreman, T&D Meter.

**Bruce, Bennie L.**, Beaumont, to inspector-tree trimming, T&D Line.

**Bunner, Charles R.**, Port Arthur, to repairman-1st class, Plant Production.

**Burton, Steven K.**, Beaumont, to director-budgeting & control, Accounting Services.

**Burzynski, Richard J.**, Conroe, to garage mechanic-2nd class, Elec. T&D.

**Butler, Randy J.**, Beaumont, to draftsman, Engineering Design.

**Carter, Claude E.**, Beaumont, to utility foreman, T&D Line.

**Carter, Patricia S.**, Beaumont, to senior clerk, Division Accounting.

**Cline, Danny R.**, Louisiana Station, to engineering helper, Plant Production.

**Coburn, Arthur E.**, Huntsville, to lineman-1st class, Elec. T&D.

**Cochran, Robert L.**, Neches Station, to control operations foreman, Plant Production.

**Condon, Janis H.**, Beaumont, to stenographer-senior, Power Plant Engineering & Design.

**Conn, Sandra W.**, Beaumont, to coordinator-word processing, Office Services.

**Cook, John P.**, River Bend Site, to quality systems representative, River Bend Nuclear Group.

**Corbitt, David L.**, Baton Rouge, to section head, T&D Engineering.

**Corley, Johnnie R.**, Louisiana Station, to head fireman, Plant Production.

**Cotlon, Oran F.**, Nelson Station, to repairman 3rd class, Plant Production.

**Creel, Gary W.**, Beaumont, to mechanic helper, Plant Production.

**Cropper, Steven J.**, Port Arthur, to test technician 2nd class, Plant Production.

**Crouse, Thomas C.**, River Bend Site, to superintendent site construction, River Bend Nuclear Group.

**Dauzat, Roy L.**, formerly of Lake Charles, to director-purchasing, Beaumont Materials Management.

**Davis, Edward L.**, Lake Charles, to lineman-4th class, Elec. T&D.

**Davis, Frederick E.**, Beaumont, to storekeeper, Elec. T&D.

**Desselles, Hubert J.**, Willow Glen Station, to planning coordinator, Plant Production.

**Dewey, David P.**, formerly of Beaumont, to supervisor-industrial relations, Conroe Human Resources.

**Doggart, Robert R.**, River Bend Site, to quality control supervisor, River Bend Nuclear Group.

**Doiron, Jack R.**, Beaumont, to inspector-contract construction, T&D Line.

**Dubea, Mick J.**, Beaumont, to area planning engineer, System Engineering.

**Dugger, William E. III**, Conroe, to apprentice, Elec. T&D.

**Duhon, Fritz J.**, Neches Station, to shift supervisor, Plant Production.

**Dumond, Clayton J.**, Lafayette, to lineman-4th class, Elec. T&D.

**Duncan, Mark D.**, Lake Charles, to lineman-3rd class, Elec. T&D.

**Ellis, Clifton T.**, Sabine Station, to control operations foreman, Plant Production.

**Eisey, Ronnie R.**, Baton Rouge, to garage mechanic-3rd class, Elec. T&D.

**English, Allen L.**, Port Arthur, to substation mechanic-3rd class, Elec. T&D.

**English, John D.**, formerly of Beaumont, to purchasing agent, Materials Management, Nelson Coal Plant.

**English, Mitchell P.**, Port Arthur, to lineman-3rd class, Elec. T&D.

**Enloe, Kenneth A.**, Cleveland, to utility foreman, T&D Line.

**Fahrenthold, Frederick W.**, Beaumont, to safety representative, T&D Rubber Goods Test lab.

**Fonteno, Loyce M.**, Beaumont, to administrative assistant, Accounting Services.

**Fontenot, Michael W.**, Lake Charles, to substation mechanic-3rd class, Elec. T&D.

**Forte, Roger L.**, Gonzales, to lineman-2nd class, Elec. T&D.

**Fox, Randy D.**, Beaumont, to garage mechanic helper, Elec. T&D.

**Gaffney, John P.**, Willow Glen, to repairman-1st class, Plant Production.

**Gallier, Joseph L.**, Sabine Station, to mechanical maintenance foreman, Plant Production.

**Garvin, Earl L.**, Beaumont, to inspector-contract construction, T&D Line.

**Gaudet, Glynn A.**, Sabine Station, to test foreman, Plant Production.

**Gayoso, Miguel A.**, Beaumont, to director-analytical studies, Rates and Regulatory Affairs.

**Gerald, Ronnie R.**, Baton Rouge, to foreman, Gas Department.

**Gilbreath, Stephen R.**, Port Arthur, to mechanic helper, Plant Production.

**Graham, Philip D.**, River Bend Site, to director-quality assurance, River Bend Nuclear Group.

**Grant, Thomas L.**, Neches Station, to shift supervisor, Plant Production.

**Gravatt, William D.**, River Bend Site, to cost engineer, River Bend Nuclear Group.

**Grimes, Roy E.**, Louisiana Station, to repairman-2nd class, Plant Production.

**Grisham, Larry G.**, Huntsville, to utility foreman, T&D Line.

**Gross, John W.**, Baton Rouge, to foreman, Gas Department.

**Groves, Frank O.**, Beaumont, to director-purchasing policy & projects, Materials Management.

**Gutierrez, Gustavo**, Huntsville, to lineman 3rd class, Elec. T&D.

**Guyote, Richard P.**, formerly of Sabine Station, to shift foreman, Plant Production, Nelson Coal Plant.

**Hall, Timothy J.**, Beaumont, to lineman 4th class, Elec. T&D.

**Hammer, Steven C.**, formerly of Sabine Station, to mechanical maintenance foreman, Plant Production, Nelson Coal Plant.

**Havard, Ralph W.**, formerly of Sabine Station, to construction specialist, Fossil Projects, Nelson Station.

**Hayes, Dolores W.**, Beaumont, to senior engineering assistant, Engineering Services.

**Hebert, Jean L.**, Nelson Station, to storeroom foreman, Plant Production.

**Hebert, Randall**, Port Arthur, to substation mechanic-3rd class, Elec. T&D.

**Hebert, Richard P.**, River Bend Site, to coordinator-permanent plant files, River Bend Nuclear Group.

**Heubach, Carl E.**, Beaumont, to senior system engineer, Power Supply.

**Hilborn, Bobby G.**, River Bend Site, to warehouse supervisor, River Bend Nuclear Group.

**Hill, Robert L.**, Port Arthur, to repairman-1st class, Plant Production.

**Hills, Barry**, Baton Rouge, to lineman-2nd class, Elec. T&D.

**Hinch, Marion E.**, Neches Station, to test foreman, Plant Production.

**Hobbs, Penny H.**, Beaumont, to draftsman, Engineering Design.

**Hollier, Mitchell**, Willow Glen Station, to lead chemist, Plant Production.

**Holstead, Rose J.**, Beaumont, to senior purchasing agent, Materials Management.

**Holtzclaw, Samuel W.**, formerly of Sabine Station, to mechanical maintenance foreman, Plant Production, Nelson Coal Plant.

**Howard, Dennis O.**, River Bend Site, to shift supervisor, River Bend Nuclear Group.

**Jackson, John W.**, formerly of Cleveland, to inspector-contract crews, Conroe T&D Line.

**James, Richard E.**, Beaumont, to director-payroll administration, Accounting Services.

**Johnson, Ralph**, Willow Glen, to electrician-3rd class, Plant Production.

**Jones, Paul L.**, formerly of Neches Station, to training coordinator, Beaumont System Production.

**Jones, Terry L.**, Baton Rouge, to garage mechanic-3rd class, Elec. T&D.

**Jones, William J.**, Willow Glen, to mechanic helper, Plant Production.

**Jordan, Mark G.**, Winnie, to district serviceman-1st class, Elec. T&D.

**Judice, Michael W.**, Beaumont, to supervisor-industrial relations, Human Resources.

**Kattelman, Ronald H.**, Beaumont, to maintenance planning supervisor, System Production.

**Keller, Cynthia S.**, River Bend Site, to administrative analyst, River Bend Nuclear Group.

**Kelly, Joe D.**, Port Arthur, to meterman-2nd class, Elec. T&D.

**Kemp, Raymond J.**, Port Arthur, to meter & service supervisor, T&D Service.

**Kerst, Paul M.**, Baton Rouge, to meterman-2nd class, Elec. T&D.

**Ketterer, Michael A.**, formerly of Baton Rouge, to staff engineer, Beaumont System Operations.

**Kirk, Kent R.**, Beaumont, to service foreman, T&D Service.

**Krechel, Keith E.**, Baton Rouge, to storeroom foreman, T&D Storeroom.

**Labeaux, Robert G.**, Port Arthur, to electrician-1st class, Plant Production.

**Lackey, Roy N.**, Beaumont, to draftsman, Engineering Design.

**LaCombe, Horace**, Lafayette, to meter reader supervisor, Division Accounting.

**LaFosse, Harold W.**, Beaumont, to coordinator-participation accounting, Power Interconnections.

**Lawrence, Evelyn R.**, Beaumont, to industrial relations assistant, Human Resources.

**Ledoux, Ernest R.**, Port Arthur, to repairman-2nd class, Plant Production.

**Lee, Walter E.**, Conroe, to lineman-3rd class, Elec. T&D.

**Legnon, Henry**, Lafayette, to storeroom supervisor, Division Operations.

**Little, Casey C.**, Baton Rouge, to repairman-2nd class, Elec. T&D.

**Living, Van G.**, Lafayette, to lineman 4th class, Elec. T&D.

**Loewenthal, Charles W.**, Baton Rouge, to engineering assistant, Elec. T&D.

**Louvier, Louis K.**, Port Arthur, to serviceman-4th class, Elec. T&D.

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# LIBRARY LINES

## Library Offers Access to Data Bases

by Karen McConnell  
Corporate Librarian

**Editor's Note:** This new monthly column will focus on library services and resources.

A computerized reference service is one of the newest offerings of the Corporate Library, which is located on the 10th floor of the main office in Beaumont.

The setup is capable of connecting with some very large computer systems and making use of those systems' bibliographic and statistical data bases. Most of the data bases are the computerized equivalent of a printed index, but it is much faster and more efficient to use.

A brochure available from the library gives additional details about the service. The average cost per data base searched is \$30, which is charged back to the requesting department.

Among the data bases available is one entitled "Energyline," a broad, comprehensive, on-line file. It screens more than 2,000 journals, research reports, surveys, hearings, irregular serials, monographs and conference proceedings to provide coverage of about 20 energy-related areas. Those areas include economics, U.S. policy and planning, international political and economic issues, research and development, resources and reserves, petroleum and natural gas resources, coal resources and unconventional resources.

It also covers the areas of solar energy, fuel production, fuel transport and storage, electric power, nuclear power, thermo-nuclear power, industrial, transportation and residential consumption and environmental impact.

Energyline covers the period from 1971 to the present and includes abstracts produced since

1975. Producer of the data base is the Environment Information Center Inc. (EIC).

### *New Books*

**The Choices of Power: Utilities Face the Environmental Challenge**, by Marc J. Roberts and Jeremy S. Bluhm. Harvard University Press, 1981.

**Growing: A Guide to Career Satisfaction**, by Elmer H. Burack, Maryann Albrecht and Helene Seitler. Lifetime Learning Publications, 1980.

**Modern Managerial Decision Making**, by Peter Norback and Craig Norback. Van Nostrand Reinhold Company, 1981.

**The Nuclear Power Debate: Issues and Choices**, by Scott Fenn. Praeger, 1981.

**Essentials of Project Management**, by Clifford F. Gray, Petrocelli Books Inc., 1981.

## How to Build a Boiling Water Reactor

Joel Lene' can't decide whether he would rather be a veterinary surgeon or a geologist when he grows up.

Nevertheless, the 12-year-old has a few years to go before he has to decide.

For now, the seventh grader at Orangefield Junior High is busy building boiling water reactors, much on the order of the one under construction at River Bend. His creation, however, is a scaled-down version of a real reactor, and it won the then-sixth-grader a first place ribbon and a best of show trophy during his school's annual science fair last spring. He is again working on the model, putting it in order to enter in a Beaumont science fair.

The son of Katherine Pfeiffer, who is licensing analyst and librarian for GSU's Nuclear Licensing Department in Beaumont, recalls that it took him about two months to put together his plywood, cutaway model last spring. He admits the project began to fray his patience and exclaims, "I felt great when it was over!" Despite all the research required for the project, Joel says he found cutting the plywood was one of the most time-consuming aspects of his project.

But completion of the model was only part of the project. "I had to write up all the definitions in a blue book, and that counted more than the project itself," Joel revealed.



*Joel Lene' and his science teacher, Coach Loren Price, display the youngster's boiling water reactor model and his trophy.*



## Machinists favor nuclear energy

A recent independent public opinion survey of 500 members of the International Association of Machinists in 21 communities shows they overwhelmingly favor the development of nuclear energy.

Sixty-five percent favor continued use of nuclear energy, with 41 percent favoring increased levels of nuclear energy usage. Twenty-four percent favored maintaining the same level of use. Other statistics included 27 percent favoring decreased use and 8 percent who did not know what they favored.

The survey was conducted by Opinion Research Survey Inc. and the results were published in March.

## U.S. buys oil from Mexico

The Department of Energy has signed a five-year agreement with Mexico's state-owned oil company to buy about 105 million barrels of crude oil at regular export prices, reported the August 22 issue of the Washington Post.

It is the first direct purchase for the Strategic Petroleum Reserve from another country. Industry and government officials warn the agreement may upset the Saudis, who have tried to prevent long-term U.S. purchases for SPR from other governments. It may put Mexico in the position of driving down world oil prices and reducing income for other producers by helping the U.S., it was predicted.

## Dow uses coal gas as fuel

Dow Chemical says it has successfully (and unprecedentedly) used fuel gas from a coal gasification unit to generate power in a commercial gas turbine. Up to 10 megawatts were produced from coal gas. (The gas came from bituminous coal, but Dow says it can use lignite.)

Dow is operating a 200-ton-per-day prototype gasifier, an integral 15-megawatt gas turbine generator and a 12-ton-per-day pilot plant using advanced design reactors and a novel heat recovery system.

It now plans to start converting power facilities in Louisiana and Texas from natural gas to synthetic gas by the late 1980s.



## Firm to supply solar power

LUZ International Ltd. of Los Angeles will supply solar power to three textile companies in Georgia and North Carolina in what it calls the largest privately-financed solar project in the U.S.

According to the August 26 edition of the New York Times, LUZ will construct collector systems, each the size of eight football fields, with moving curved mirrors to track the sun.

The systems are expected to cost between \$2 million and \$4 million.

## New York enacts "bill of rights"

A New York state "bill of rights" recently signed into law requires utilities to make personal contact with elderly, blind or disabled customers 72 hours before shutting off their service. During cold weather, the utilities must attempt to contact an adult resident personally before a cutoff.

Utilities can only require security deposits from new customers who have been delinquent in previous payments or if the cost of maintaining such deposits is outweighed by the benefits of having the money on hand.

Additionally, utilities are required to respond formally to requests for service within three days and to initiate service within five days of a request. The state's Department of Public Service is granted \$2 million under the law to improve its consumer services and to establish an emergency telephone line for utility customers, reported the August 7 New York Times.



## An Information Center

The Corporate Library staff is striving to turn the facility into an information center geared to serving employees and their needs.

We want to be more than a reading room.

In addition to the library staff's basic functions of cataloging and indexing, there is the responsibility to provide a total information service by drawing upon all resources and making use of the latest technologies.

There are advantages to having an information center that can get the right information to the right person at the right time and in the right form. Those benefits can be measured in terms of time or money saved, technological breakthroughs achieved, increased efficiency and prevention of waste or duplication.

Nevertheless, much as electricity and other forms of energy, information is only valuable when put to constructive use. Its value

depends on how much it is used and on the quality of information services offered.

The purposes of a new monthly column in *Plain Talks*, Library Lines, is to acquaint employees with the services available through the Corporate Library, as well as the resources — including periodicals, books and films — which are being continually expanded.

— Karen McConnell

## On the Move

**Luther, William G.**, Beaumont, to area planning engineer, System Engineering.

**Martin, David A.**, formerly of Conroe, to utility foreman, Calvert T&D Line.

**Matejick, John E.**, Beaumont, to rate engineer, Rate Department.

**Mayeux, Joseph L.**, Baton Rouge, to assistant supervisor-contract crews, T&D Line.

**McPayne, Owens M.**, Nelson Coal, to master test technician, Plant Production.

**Mencer, Eroll W.**, Baton Rouge, to lineman-3rd class, Elec. T&D.

**Menzel, Chris H.**, Beaumont, to supervisor-environmental engineering, Power Plant Engineering and Design.

**Miller, Gloria R.**, Lafayette, to customer contact clerk, Division Accounting.

**Morgan, Brenda F.**, Beaumont, to section head, Accounting Services.

**Morgan, Thomas G. Jr.**, Beaumont, to lineman-4th class, Elec. T&D.

**Moses, Alex N.**, Beaumont, to transmission construction representative System Operations.

**Mullins, Richard D.**, Orange, to lineman-4th class, Elec. T&D.

**Mutch, James J.**, Beaumont, to supervisor-environmental engineering, Power Plant Engineering and Design.

**Neal, Jimmie R.**, Baton Rouge, to substation foreman, T&D Substation.

**Nettles, Joe K.**, Huntsville, to service foreman, T&D Service.

**Osburn, Johnny L.**, Beaumont, to inspector-construction, T&D Line.

**Parker, Elton G.**, Willow Glen Station, to mechanical maintenance foreman, Plant Production.

**Paxton, Donald L.**, Baton Rouge, to senior purchasing agent, Materials Management.

**Perio, Francis D.**, formerly of Beaumont, to store-room supervisor, Port Arthur T&D Storeroom.

**Peveto, Linka B.**, Beaumont, to draftsman, Engineering Design.

**Phelps, Robert D.**, Beaumont, to computer network supervisor, Computer Applications.

**Powell, Sherman R.**, Beaumont, to assistant general line foreman, T&D Line.

**Pumphrey, Donald Z.**, Beaumont, to communications representative, Public Affairs.

**Rathcke, Terry A.**, Louisiana Station, to repairman-2nd class, Plant Production.

**Recla, Steven D.**, Beaumont, to substation mechanic-1st class, Elec. T&D.

**Reed, Ross**, Conroe, to assistant general line foreman, T&D Line.

**Roberts, Alvin E. Jr.**, Beaumont, to serviceman-4th class, Elec. T&D.

**Robinson, Thomas A.**, Beaumont, to director-special projects, Power Plant Engineering & Design.

**Rogers, David L.**, Beaumont, to director-technical accounting, Accounting Services.

**Sanders, James H.**, Beaumont, to inspector-tree trimming, T&D Line.

**Scallan, Edward J. III**, Louisiana Station, to utility worker II, Plant Production.

**Schug, Lewie L.**, formerly of Beaumont, to engineer, Baton Rouge T&D Engineering.

**Scott, Mildred S.**, Beaumont, to general clerk, Materials Management.

**Sealy, Glenn M.**, Beaumont, to director-employee benefits, Human Resources.

**Sebastian, John**, Conroe, to supervisor-contract crews, T&D Line.

**Sikes, Walter L.**, Beaumont, to line foreman, T&D Line.

**Sikora, Alan**, New Caney, to engineering assistant, Elec. T&D.

**Simpson, Michael R.**, Conroe, to apprentice, Elec. T&D.

**Smythia, David L.**, Beaumont, to power system engineer, Power Supply.

**Sonnenberg, Carter A.**, Port Arthur, to apprentice, Elec. T&D.

**Sonnier, Matthew L.**, Lake Charles, to lineman-3rd class, Elec. T&D.

**Sparks, James T.**, Sabine Station, to mechanical maintenance foreman, Plant Production.

**Spencer, James A.**, formerly of Lake Charles, to distribution planning engineer, System Engineering.

**Stanton, Glen A.**, Port Arthur, to repairman-3rd class, Plant Production.

**Strickland, Jack E.**, Beaumont, to assistant general substation foreman, T&D Substation.

**Taylor, Douglas J.**, Lafayette, to substation mechanic-3rd class, Elec. T&D.

**Taylor, Timothy E.**, Beaumont, to planning & scheduling analyst, Fossil Projects.

**Thibodeaux, Martha C.**, Beaumont, to stenographer-senior, River Bend Nuclear Group.

**Thibodeaux, Rita F.**, Lake Charles, to relayman-2nd class, Elec. T&D.

**Thomas, Linda R.**, Beaumont, to engineering assistant, Power Plant Engineering & Design.

**Tompley, Joseph E.**, Baton Rouge, to lineman-3rd class, Elec. T&D.

**Tuttle, Clabe C.**, Sabine Station, to project maintenance supervisor, Plant Production.

**Upton, John C.**, Baton Rouge, to industrial engineer, Division Consumer Services.

**Vallet, Edward D.**, Louisiana Station, to shift supervisor, Plant Production.

**Varela, Felipe**, Beaumont, to storeroom assistant, Materials Management.

**Walhood, Ben P. Jr.**, Beaumont, to lineman-4th class, Elec. T&D.

**Walker, James E.**, Conroe, to storeroom assistant, Elec. T&D.

**Welch, Ronald C.**, formerly of Baton Rouge, to building and grounds foreman, River Bend Nuclear Group, River Bend Site.

**Wenzell, Lawrence E.**, Neches Station, to shift supervisor, Plant Production.

**Wiggins, Jack D.**, Dayton, to line foreman, T&D Line.

**Wilhams, Jerald W.**, Baton Rouge, to serviceman-2nd class, Gas Dept.

**Wilkinson, Jeffrey L.**, Beaumont, to draftsman, Engineering Design.

**Williams, John C.**, formerly of Sabine Station, to lead environmental analyst, Beaumont Power Plant Engineering & Design.

**Willis, Beth H.**, Beaumont, to section head, Accounting Services.

**Wolf, Arthur**, Sabine Station, to control operations foreman, Plant Production.

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